

EXAMPLES OF EXPERIENCES IN OTHER STATES

Assessment by New York State DOH after one year of pilot program. *Reasons why NY chose to use NHSN versus their nedss based system, NYS Hospital Acquired Infections Reporting System (Rachel Stricof, Program Director):*

- 10% NYS hospitals were already participating in NHSN.
- Hospitals in same network would have been unable to share data through their NEDSS based system.
- NHSN is usable by both hospital and health department (in real-time and therefore the data is actionable by hospital).
- Quick calculation of rates and comparison with national data.
- HAI uses complex case definition and NHSN provides good support for interpreting what and how to report.
- NHSN easily creates automated reports.
- Hospitals have to grant access to state – however NHSN establishes “group functionality” so states can view all reporting hospital’s data (every year hospitals grant access to mandated data variables).
- NYS hired regional auditor staff (35 – 40 hospitals per epidemiologist).

New York State PROGRAM PERSONNEL (NY State Population Estimate=19M; ~NCx2)

Central Office:

- Program Director – Rachel L. Stricof, MT, MPH., CIC
- Program Manager – Carole Van Antwerpen, RN, BSN, CIC – 9/7/06 - present
- Program Operations Manager – Cindi (Coluccio) Dubner, BS – 7/13/06 - present
- Data Manager – Karolina Schabzes, MPH – 8/1/06 - 8/24/07
- Data Analyst – Boldtsetseg Tserenpuntsag, DrPh – 11/2/06 - present
- Administrative Assistant – Patricia Lewis, AAS - 9/16/06 – present

Regional Staff:

- Western Region – Peggy Hazamy, RN, BSN, CIC – 2/8/07 - present
- Central Region - Diana Doughty, RN, MBA, CIC, CPHQ – 2/8/07 - present
- Capital Region – covered by Program Manager, Carole Van Antwerpen, RN, BSN, CIC
- New Rochelle Region – Betsy Todd, RN, MPH, CIC – 3/8/07 – 5/16/08
- Long Island Region – Marie Tsivitis, MPH, CIC – 3/8/07 - present
- New York City Region – Kathleen Gase, MPH, CIC – 10/1/07 – present

Students from the School of Public Health:

- Kamal Siag, MD - 5/17/07 - 8/24/07
- Edgar Manukyan, MD - 8/20/07 to 5/07
- Andrea Fischer, MPH - 1/3/08 to Present

TOTAL: ~10 FTEs (5 central, 5 regional)+ students

Central Line Associated Blood Stream Infection Rates observed in NYS: ICU-specific rates varied from 2.0 infections per 1,000 central line days in cardiothoracic patients to 4.0 infections per 1,000 central line days in pediatric ICU patients.

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